REMARKS

I. <u>Introduction</u>

Claims 26 to 52 are pending in the present application. In view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all of the presently pending claims are allowable, and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

II. Rejection of Claims 26 to 52 Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph

Claims 26 to 52 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as to the definiteness requirement. It is respectfully submitted that claims 26 to 52 are definite for at least the following reasons.

While the rejection may not be agreed with, to facilitate matters, claims 26 and 40 have been amended herein without prejudice to recite the features of --the at least two signal portions of the first signal portion sequence differing in frequency by a first differential frequency, the at least two signal portions of the second signal portion sequence differing in frequency by a second differential frequency, wherein the first differential frequency of the first signal portion sequence differing from the second differential frequency of the second signal portion sequence--. Support for the amendments to claims 26 and 40 may be found in the specification, e.g., at page 10, lines 10 to 31; and Figure 4. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the present claims comply with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

In view of all of the foregoing, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

III. Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants note with appreciation the indication of allowable subject matter included in claims 26 to 52. In this regard, the Examiner will note that claims 26 and 40 have been amended herein without prejudice to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. As such, it is respectfully submitted that claims 26 to 52 are in condition for immediate allowance.

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IV. <u>Conclusion</u>

It is therefore respectfully submitted that all of the presently pending claims are allowable. All issues raised by the Examiner having been addressed, an early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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